

House Study Bill 155 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON COMMERCE BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON COWNIE)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to licensed or registered child care providers
2 and the regulation of safe sleeping and napping practices by
3 the department of human services.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. CHILD CARE PROVIDERS — SAFE SLEEPING PRACTICES
2 — RULES.

1. The department of human services shall adopt rules to prohibit a child care provider licensed or registered by the department from swaddling an infant when an infant is being placed to sleep or is sleeping in a licensed child care center, registered child care development home, or registered child care home.

2. The department of human services shall adopt rules to require that all children sleeping or resting in a licensed child care center, registered child care development home, or registered child care home are located on the same floor or level of the center or home with appropriate child care provider supervision.

15 EXPLANATION

16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

18 The bill relates to licensed or registered child care
19 providers and the regulation of safe sleeping and napping
20 practices by the department of human services.

21 The bill requires the department of human services to adopt
22 rules to prohibit a child care provider licensed or registered
23 by the department from swaddling an infant when an infant is
24 being placed to sleep or is sleeping in a licensed child care
25 center, registered child care development home, or registered
26 child care home, and to require that all children sleeping or
27 resting in a licensed child care center, registered child care
28 development home, or registered child care home be located on
29 the same floor or level of the center or home with appropriate
30 child care provider supervision.

31 Under Code section 237A.1, "child care center" means a
32 facility providing child care or preschool services for seven
33 or more children, except when the facility is registered as
34 a child development home, "child care home" means a person
35 or program providing child care to five or fewer children at

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1 any one time, and "child development home" means a registered
2 person or program that may provide child care to six or more
3 children at any one time.